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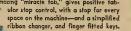


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THE MOON RISES, late tonight, and I am alone. For three weeks I have been awaiting this night, my dead and tertor growing until now I can no longer stand it. It is almost with a sense of relief that I sit have now, witing these last few words so that the world may know the photro I feel in awaiting my ghastly fate, a fate I will know when the moon rides high in the skies, the full imoon which will turo me into a werevoil.

It was twenty long nights ago that I was bitten. At the time I thanked my lucky, stars that I had escaped death altogether, but now I know I would have been luckier to have perished. But let me tell you my story from the beginning, in the few minutes that remain to me, for already darkness shrouds the moors surrounding my locely house, and the rim of the pale moon shows off on the horizon.

That terrible night of which I speak found me 'walking across these moors alone near midnight. The moors were dark and mists switled everywhere. Suddenly there was a low, fierce soarl behind me. I had only time to turn before a hage, tavenous wolf was upon me, its slaveting laws seeking my throat.

I am a tall man, young and well-built, but it was all I could do to keep the creature from tearing me to shreds on the spot. Fighting for my life I jammed my forearm into its mouth, at the same time directing a single terrible blow at the animal's head with my heavy cane. The creature's skull shattered, and its heavy body collapsed in death.

Swiftly I bound up my bleeding atm with a handkertchief, and minutes passed ocfore I turned to examine the creature I had killed. It was then that I thought I had been struck mad, for it was no longer a wolf lying dead at my feet, but a man!

In that terrible moment 1 knew that the old legends of this lonely corner of Scotland were true, that there were werewolves still roaming these moors. And when I looked at my cane, and real-ized that its top was wrought of silver, I knew how it was that I had managed to kill it, for the legends also tell us that silver is the ancient enemy of all the ghastly denizens of the supermanutal world.

After I had buried the man an awful thought knifed into my brain, for then I remembered the ancient warning: 'He who is hitten by a werewolf hecomes a werewolf himself...at the next full moon!'

Tonight the full moon rises. Already I feel a quickening in my blood, and terror sweeps over me in great crashing waves. All last night, as I stared fascinated at the almost perfectly round moon I felt a strange excitement in me, hetalding the thing which I am now to become.

I know there is no escape for me. I know that after tonight I will race across these moors as a shaggy beast, bungry for buman prey. I cannot escape my destiny, and yet I hope desperately that something will happen to save me from my fate.

But already a sbaft of moonlight falls into my darkeaed room. My beart beats like a drom and I feel my limbs growing strangely stiff. The hand that holds my pen is growing dark, darker! I can bearly hold the pen for now long brown hairs are sproating swiftly over my baods and face. My teeth seem to be emerging from my face!

The end approaches! I know it! An insane desire to quit this house forever seizes me. I wish to join my kind out there on the moors. I long to lift my throat to the moon, and howl with all the madness sweeping over me. I cannot hold the pen a moment longer. Already hideous growls and snarls fill the the room, and I know that it is me!

I am staring at the full moon directly now, and I must go...



































# TOUR EDITOR TOUR

TOR MOST OF us this is the vacation time of the year. As usual, we've been snowed under with inquiries as to whether our readers will be able to find "Forbidden Worlds" on the newsstands at summer resorts. To be belef about it, you will find "Porbidden Worlds" on sale just about anywhere at any time. That is, if you get

your copy early.

It wasn't always that way, of course. In the beginning, ours was a small venture, dedicated to a select group of fans who demanded nothing less than the very best in supernatural stories vibrandly illustrated. To our great happiness our early issues were sellouts. From then on we printed more copies and distributed them on a wider basis. The number of "Porbidden Worlds" readers now numbers in the hundreds of thousands, proof of our contention that the best will always find an audience, no matter how numerous the competition.

We have never lowered our standards by so much as B jot, as you longtime readers well know. Our writing and research staffs growlargereach month, and our artwork has become the standard by which the entire field is rated. This has meant very hard work and intense application, and it wouldn't have been possible to achieve without your constant encouragement and enthusiasm.

Several people in the office consider our present issue the finest yet. Certainly "War of the Goblins" is the kind of thrill and chill yarn which will satisfy all of you who bave been clamoring for something different. The thrilling pace of "Terror Island" is guaranteed to keep you rooted from its engrossing start to electrifying finish. As for "The Bog of Evil", we hold it to be one of the most spellbinding tales in years. Merely to glance at the first page of "The Haunted Mirror" is to get a glimpse of the weird and fascinating adventure in store.

llowevet, this is our opinion; we'd like to know yours. Why not join the thousands of your fellow fans who have expressed their preferences by writing to The Editor, "Probidden Worlds", 45 West 45th Street, New York 36, N. Y. We'll print your comments just as soon as we have space! And oow, let's dip into our mailbag:

"Dear Editor:-

In the last issue of 'Forbidden Worlds' one of the letters seemed to say everything I wanted to. But I still can tell you (as it has been said before), 'Forbidden Worlds' is the best.

-I. Wrublewski, Long Island, N. Y."

"Dear Editor:-

Those read a good deal of 'Forbidden Worlds' comics. I liked the recent story 'Lure of the Snake Goddess' very much. How about more vampire stories? Please keep up the good work. I enjoy these stories greatly.

-- Judy Little, Peekskill, N. Y."

"Dear Editor:-

1 like the stories in 'Forbidden Worlds' very much, and would appreciate more stories like 'The Day the World Died', 'The Tomb of Terror', and 'Land of the Living Dead'.

-Kendrick Springer, Riverdale, Ga.'



















THE LONG HOURS PASS -- A PALE MOON FLITS ACROSS GHDETLY CLOUOS -- ANO SLOWLY, THE STRICKEN MAN REGANS CONSCIOUSNESS ...

WHERE AM I -- NOW I RE-MEMBER! THAT MIST! IT WAS LIKE A DRUG! I'VE GOT TO PULL MYSELF TOGETHER-- GET BACK---



# BUT AS THE PANICKY MAN

I DON'T RECOGNIZE ANY OF THIS! THE WHOLE LANOSCAPE SEEMS TO HAVE CHANGED! NOT A SIGN OF ANY... WAIT! THERE'S SOMETHING UP AHEAO!















































TO HAVE SPOKEN IN HIS ROOM WOULD HAVE RUINED EVERTHING! EVER NOW HIS BODY IS DOSSESSED BY THE ANCIENT DEMONS WHO HAVE CAIMED HIM AS THEIR OWN! DEMONS POSSESSING BLAN, WE WOULD BURT? WHAT ARE VOUR TALKING ABOUT?

PLAN, WE WOULD HAVE FAILED BEFORE WE BEGAN!







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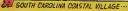
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AND AFTER OF COURSE I'M GRATEFUL TO THE EXPLAINS THAT PULLED YOU THROUGH! IT HAS PROVEN ITSELF, DARLING, HAPPENINGS... AND THAT'S ALL THAT MATTERS NOTHING CAN HARM US NOW.



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BUT I CAN'T HELP FEELING IN WORRIED, JIM! BOB HASN'T BEEN HOME FOR WEEKS, AND NOM I RECEIVE THIS LETTER SAYING IT MAY BE MONTHS BEFORE HE CAN MAKE IT! IT ISN'E JEEF HIM TO PUT IT! SIN'E JEEF HIM TO PU

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YES.--AND I DON'T TAKE-KINDLY TO TRESPASSERS! AS IT IS, YOU'VE ALREADY SEEN THINGS I PREFER TO KEEP SECREY! THATS WHY YOU MUST MEVER LEAVE THIS ISLAND!













































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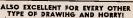
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